North Carolina Railroad Company: Provided, That no Proviso. fence shall divide a tract of land against the consent of the owner, but may follow the boundary line thereof: Provided further, That where a public highway divides a Proviso. tract of land, the fence may follow the highway even against the consent of the owner of the land so divided.

SEC. 12. That all expense incurred by reason of build-Expenses, how ing, repairing and keeping said fences and gates, shall be paid out by the county treasurer on the order of said

county commissioners.

Sec. 13. Any person wilfully tearing down or in any Wilful injury to manner breaking a fence or gate established or erected demeanor. in pursuance of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not ext Penalty. ceeding fifty dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

SEC. 14. Any person who shall leave open any gate Misdemeanor to erected under the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than five dollars.

SEC. 15. The provisions of this act shall not be con-Act not applicable to persons driving stock to market.

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SEC. 16. That within sixty days after the passage of County commisthis act, the board of county commissioners of Wake bute 10,000 copies county shall cause to be distributed among the electors of said county ten thousand copies of this act: Provided, Proviso. That this act shall not go into effect until the same shall Act not to go into be ratified by the qualified electors of said county, and to field by electors of county. this end the board of county commissioners shall order an election not less than ninety days after the ratification Election. of this act, under the same rules, regulations and provisions in all respects as are now provided by law for the How held. election of members of the general assembly. At such election those in favor of said act shall vote "for the abolition of fences," and those against said act shall vote

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"against the abolition of fences," and said vote shall be canvass of vote.